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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for taking further action of this application based on the Notice of Appeal filed July 20, 2001.

The requested extension is for Three (3) Months, extending the period for response from September 20, 2001 to December 20, 2001.

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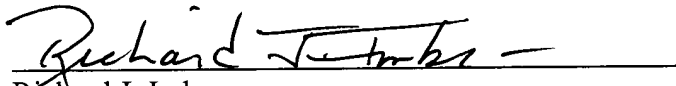
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Respectfully submitted,

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